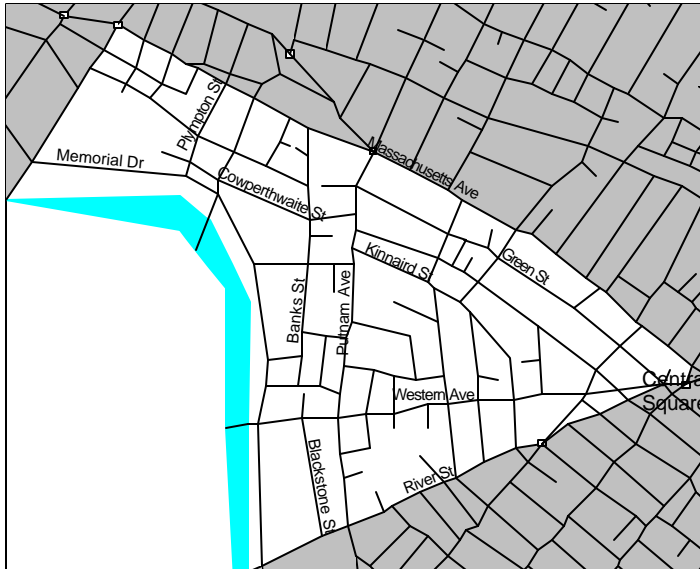
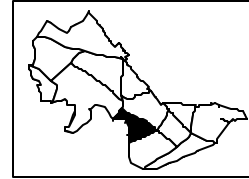


NEIGHBORHOOD 7

RIVERSIDE



BOUNDARIES: bordered by Massachusetts Avenue, River Street, the Charles River, and JFK Street

POPULATION: 10,432 residents
3,341 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$27,415

Neighborhood #7 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 3 (2 officer cars) and Cars 6R and 10R (1 officer cars). Also included within its boundaries are walking routes 7A and 7B.

2002 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW

Housebreaks (+27%) were sporadic in nature with no discernible spatial or temporal trend identified during the first quarter of 2002 in the Riverside neighborhood. Small clusters of breaks were recorded in both the 200 blocks of Western Ave and River Street. The only arrest for burglary in this area during the first three months of the year was for a break on Pond Place in January that was categorized as domestic in nature. • The trend of decreasing **street robberies** (-47% in 2001) continues in Neighborhood #7 with nary a reported incident during the first three months of 2002. • There were five **drug arrests** in Riverside over the first 90 days of 2002. In January, a Blackstone Street resident was arrested for intent to distribute cocaine within 1000 feet of a school. A domestic call resulted in the apprehension of a Putnam Ave dweller for possession of marijuana in February. Two motor vehicle stops for erratic driving led to the arrest of both drivers for possession of marijuana. Patrol officers responding to a loud party on Plympton Street arrested a number of revelers for possession of marijuana in March. • Despite the fact that **malicious destruction** (-5%) declined slightly, it is still generating significant numbers and remains a community concern. Tagging in and around the King School is a persistent quality of life issue for Riverside. •

COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS FIRST QUARTER 2001 & 2002

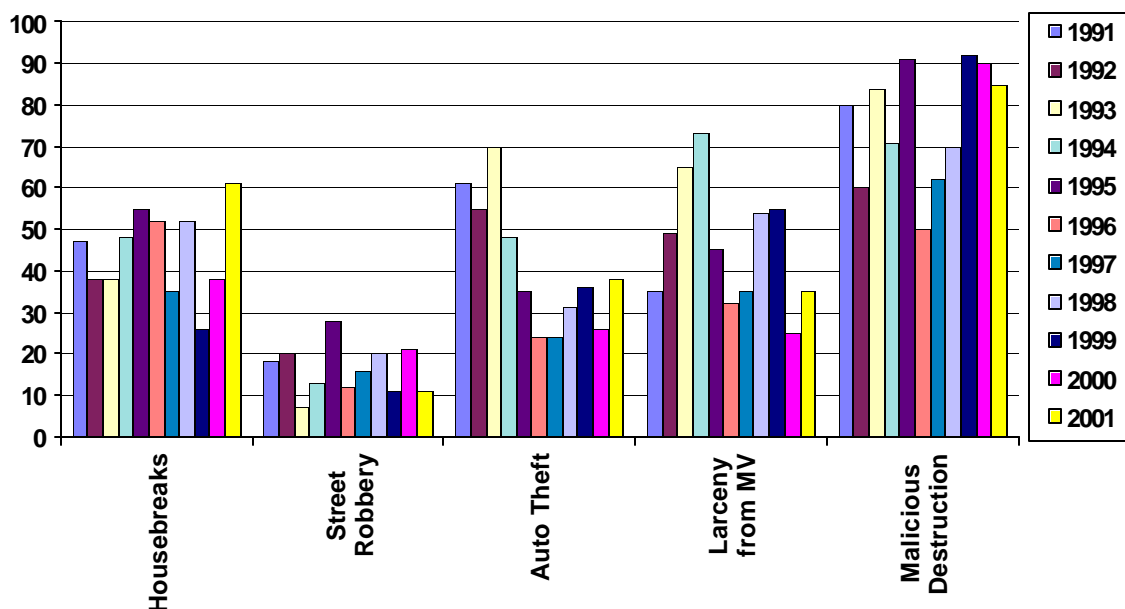
CRIME	1 st Q 2001	1 st Q 2002	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	11	14	+27%
Street Robbery	4	0	<u>Inc.</u>
Auto Theft	12	10	-16%
Larceny from MVs	11	8	-27%
Malicious Destruction	21	20	-5%
Drug Arrests	1	5	+400%

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Riverside has the fourth highest population in the city, but it ranks well below the average for almost all index crimes. Along with its ten-thousand residents, Riverside has two housing developments (Putnam Gardens and the River-Howard homes), two major parks (Hoyt Field and Riverside Press Park), and many commercial establishments along Massachusetts Avenue, River Street, and Western Avenue. Several Harvard University dormitories and other properties occupy the northwestern quarter. Riverside's borders also encompass the United States Post Office and the Cambridge Police Department headquarters.

Harvard University, which has its own police department, patrols Harvard property in the northwestern part of the neighborhood. Our statistics do not reflect most incidents that occur on university property.

- **Malicious destruction** is the only crime that has not shown a significant average decline in Riverside since the 1980s, though it is low compared to the rest of the city. Most of this vandalism occurs to motor vehicles. Occasional patterns of this crime over long holiday weekends have been a problem in the past.
- **Street robberies** are on the low side for a neighborhood of Riverside's population, although it has increased since last year. Most of these incidents are on Broadway, although they are spread about the neighborhood. Riverside has an exceptionally low **housebreak** rate for its size; but this too has had a substantial increase from last year's statistics.
- There were 20 arrests for **drugs** this quarter compared to this time last year, which had 27 arrests.
- **Auto theft** and **larceny from motor vehicles** have both declined when compared to this time frame last year.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR RIVERSIDE AREA TARGET CRIMES

Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2001*
Housebreaks	83	7	43	6	3
Street Robbery	34	4	17	6	5
Auto Theft	92	9	41	9	7
Larceny from MVs	87	7	48	9	9
Malicious Destruction	78	9	74	8	5

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest